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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – RWS&S Department – Irregularities in award of price escalation on material/pipes procured etc., in drinking water supply projects in YSR Kadapa District taken up by Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, YSR Kadapa District and now retired – Inquiry ordered – Change of Inquiry Officer & Presenting Officer – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 50. **Dated 08.02.2022.**

Read the following:-

1. From the General Administration (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.62 (C.No.498/V&E/E2/2010), dated 27.08.2015.
2. G.O.Rt.No.74, P.R. & R.D. (Vig.II) Department, dated 28.01.2016.
3. From Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, YSR Kadapa District, written statement of defence, dated 22.02.2016.
4. G.O.Rt.No.609, P.R. & R.D. (Vig.VI) Department, dated 16.06.2016.
5. G.O.Rt.No.736, P.R. & R.D. (Vig.VI) Department, dated 17.12.2020.
6. From the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada, letter No.Vig(4)/ RWS&S/10905/2015, dated 04.08.2021.

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O R D E R:

Based on the recommendations of G.A.(V&E) Department vide reference 1st read above, disciplinary proceedings was initiated against Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, YSR Kadapa District by framing Articles of Charges against him, on the allegations of irregularities in award of price escalation on material / pipes procured etc., in drinking water supply projects in YSR Kadapa District taken up by RWS&S Department, vide reference 2nd read above.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the charged officer Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer has submitted his written statement of defence and requested to drop further action against him.

3. As the written statement of defence submitted by the charged officer was not convincing, it was decided to conduct regular inquiry and in the reference 4th read above, orders were issued, appointing Sri K.Kishore Kumar, Chief Engineer-III, RWS&S as an Inquiry Officer for conducting regular inquiry into the charge framed against the charged officer Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer and Sri T.Prabhakar Rao, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Vizag as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority.

4. In the reference 5th read above, orders were issued, appointing Sri P.Sanjeeva Rao, Chief Engineer, RWS&S as an Inquiry Officer in place of Sri K.Kishore Kumar, who retired from service, to conduct inquiry into the charge framed against the charged officer Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S and now retired and Sri J.V.Raghavulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S as Presenting Officer in place of Sri T.Prabhakar Rao, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, who retired from service, to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority.

5. In the reference 6th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada has stated Sri J.V.Raghavulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Eluru, who was appointed as Presenting Officer, was retired from service on 31.01.2021. Further, the Inquiry Officer Sri P.Sanjeeva Rao, Chief Engineer, RWS&S was also retired from service on 30.06.2021 and requested to issue suitable orders for change of Inquiry Officer & Presenting Officer in this case.

(P.T.O.)

6. Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 read with sub-rule (2) of Rule-20 of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, the disciplinary authority hereby appoints Sri P.Sanjeeva Reddy, Chief Engineer-III, RWS&S as an Inquiry Officer in place of Sri P.Sanjeeva Rao, Chief Engineer, RWS&S, who retired from service, to conduct regular inquiry into the charge framed against the charged officer Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, YSR Kadapa District and now retired and also to appoint Smt.T.Gayatri Devi, Chief Engineer-II (FAC), Office of the ENC (RWS&S) as Presenting Officer in place of Sri J.V.Raghavulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, who retired from service, under Rule 20 (5)(c) of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991. The Inquiry Officer is requested to take up the inquiry from where it was left and submit his report within two (2) months.

7. The Presenting Officer shall acquaint herself with the fats of the case and present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority. She is also requested to obtain and produce the documents if any required by the Inquiry Officer during the course of inquiry without referring the matter to Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri P.Sanjeeva Reddy, Chief Engineer-III & Inquiry Officer, RWS&S
through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
Smt.T.Gayatri Devi, Chief Engineer-II (FAC) & Presenting Officer,
O/o the ENC, RWS&S through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
Sri P.Sanjeeva Rao, Chief Engineer (Retd.), RWS&S through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
Sri J.V.Raghavulu, Superintending Engineer (Retd.), RWS&S through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
Sri B.N.Srinivasulu, Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Circle, YSR Kadapa District and now retired through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, A.P., Vijayawada.

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The Secretary to A.P.Vigilance Commission.
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